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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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SERIAL NO.: 10/027,742

FILING DATE: December 20, 2001

FOR: Ethylene Polymer Compositions
Having Improved Melt Strength

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) EXAMINER: R.A. Lee
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) ART UNIT: 1713
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) DATE OF THIS PAPER:
) January 23, 2004

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME [37 CFR 1.136(a)]

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Advisory Action dated **January 13, 2004** for one month to **February 13, 2004**.

Since Applicants' first reply was filed within two months of the mailing date of the Final Action and the Advisory Action was not mailed until after the end of the three month statutory period, the extension fee is calculated from the mailing date of the Advisory Action pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a).

An amendment in connection with the matter for which the extension is requested is filed concurrently herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of **\$110.00** for extension for response within the first month to our Deposit Account No. **17-0032**. This Petition is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date indicated below as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450; Mail Stop: AF.

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